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San Marino, Huntington Library, HM 00043

Description: f. 1 - Bound, s. XIX, in white parchment over boards. Chart has a vertical crease with cutouts for hinges top and bottom, indicating that it was originally mounted on wooden panels; a second fold has been made horizontally, probably by W. Pratt to make the map fit his binding for H. Stevens. - Sold in 1868 from the library of Henry Stevens (1791-1867) to Henry Huth (1815-78); Huth's ex libris on pastedown and note "Portolano (7), p. 1171" indicating The Huth Library (1880) pt. 4, 1171. - C. W. Dutschke with the assistance of R. H. Rouse et al., Guide to Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts in the Huntington Library (San Marino, 1989). De Ricci, 44. T. R. Smith, "Manuscript and Printed Sea Charts in Seventeenth-century London: The Case of the Thames School" in N. J. W. Thrower, ed., The Compleat Plattmaker (Berkeley 1978) 49 and 98.

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Number of Parts: 1 - *Number of Images Available:* 0

Direct Link: http://ds.lib.berkeley.edu/HM00043_43

Language: Latin *Country:* England *Century:* 17th

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Part 1: f. 1r-v

Description: - Parchment - 475 x 690 mm

Country: England

Region:

Assigned Date: s. XVII^{3/4}

Dated by scribe: No

Document: No

Cardinal point:

City:

Searchable Date Range: 1650 - 1675

Inscribed Date:

Number of Scribes: ;

Other Decoration: Border is yellow band edged in black with simple arabesque and dot design on 3 sides only, indicating that this may be a "half-chart" of the North Atlantic. Black and red ink for nomenclature in a minuscule script with area names in display script; land masses outlined in color with islands painted blue, green, red, or yellow; 2 compass roses (one with Tudor rose in center); usual 32 rhumb line network in black, red, and green ink for the principal directions; latitude scale numbered from 6° to 42° N (but map extends beyond marked scale in both directions), no longitude; numbered scale of distance in an elaborate green foliate cartouche; soundings are marked in the New England-Nova Scotia coastal waters; no decoration except for cartouche on distance scale and compass roses. Chart appears to have been halved at the center vertical crease since the label for the Tropic of Cancer contains only the letters "TRO PI."

Notes: Probably made in London about 1674 by Andrew Welch of the Thames School, judging from the marked similarity to his chart of this date for the North Atlantic in the National Maritime Museum in Greenwich (NMM G 213:2/5). T. R. Smith suggest that HM 43 may be the western half of a North Atlantic chart at the British Library (Add. 31858) which he attributes to "Samuel" Welch. Latin

Number of Texts: 1

Text 1: f. 1

Author: Andrew Welch

Title: Portolan chart

Language(s): Latin

Notes: Nautical chart of east coast of North and South America from the St. Lawrence River to the Amazon. Possibly part of London, British Library, Add. 31858.